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RUSSIA MUST YIELD.

There is a bluffing match on at Portsmouth, N. H., just now that promises to cast into the shade of insignificance all former records in the great American national game of poker. And we doubt not that some very important events have been "pulled off" in that neighborhood when the politicians were assembled for a brief respite from the cares of the strife which never ceases in the United States. Komura appears to hold the better hand; but the Russians have participated in many such contests of wit and gall, and there is good reason to believe M. de Witte has profited by the experience of his predecessors in the great diplomatic game. The preliminary motions have all been gone through and recorded in the press of the country for the benefit of the plenipotentiaries. The Japanese are an impressive people. They have doubtless learned by experience and by the teachings of history that all is not absolutely sincere that issues from the mouths of Russians. They understand that what M. de Witte has said and has published in the newspapers was uttered for purely strategic purposes. Komura is doubtless a very discreet statesman or he would not have been entrusted with the delicate mission of laying the Japanese terms before the peace tribunal. The world may rest in the assurance that no one will know anything approaching to accuracy what the Japanese terms are until they are formally communicated to the individual appointed to consider them. We will even venture to express the opinion that President Roosevelt, gigantic figure though he be, has not been entrusted with the secret of what Japan's terms of peace are. So that there is no probability that either the diplomatic protestations of the Muscovite envoy or the alleged friendly remonstrances of the president of the United States have had the slightest modifying effect upon the Japanese conditions. Nor is it at all likely that M. de Witte's heart is filled with despair of an agreement being finally reached. The dispatches that are being sent from St. Petersburg are the adamant will of the Czar and the inflexible purpose of his advisers not to grant any terms involving humiliation have been issued for a purpose. Any terms that are likely to prove satisfactory to Japan must involve a certain amount of humiliation to her adversary. Therefore when all the diplomatic fog that have been raised for a perfectly evident purpose have been swept away and the true situation has been revealed, it may appear that the hopes of a settlement are brighter than the words of the Russian peace messenger would indicate. The truth is that the Russian case is so hopeless that she will be compelled to accept practically whatever terms Japan chooses to dictate.

Yes, happiness is a condition of the mind, and, as an esteemed contemporary says, does not necessarily follow the possession of great riches. Still the majority of the human race will probably continue to strive to obtain wealth as long as the earth shall endure, taking a chance of happiness following in the wake of great possessions.

GERMAN SUCCESSES AND FAILURES.

The Germans are a great people, with an astounding faculty for thoroughness and mathematical exactness in everything to which they put their scientific minds and orderly hands. Every detail connected with their magnificent armaments is said to be a marvel of military exactness and precision. Scandals have been revealed which are far from creditable to the morality of the hereditary commanders of this great host of national defenders, but such evils are apologized for as inherent in and incidental to the military profession in all countries. Such complimentary excuses are now exactly complimentary to the habits of the martial classes, but when such an austere moralist and stern disciplinarian as the Kaiser can overlook the faults of his frail but favorite subjects, it is not for the world to be censorious, is it?

Then the adaptability of the Teutonic mind to conditions as they arise is another of the wonders of the modern world. Within the memory of the present generation the Germans were not given to the construction and sailing of ships. They were not a maritime people, their ports being few and their opportunities for the utilization of such ports as they had being limited. To-day the German merchant marine, although limited as to tonnage, is thoroughly up to date as to speed and appointments. German merchant ships are among the fastest that sail the seas, German warships are the finest afloat. And they are all the work of skilful Teutonic hands. The world wonders at the facility with which the Japanese acquired the art of sailing and constructing ships. The extreme adaptability of the Germans is perhaps less to be wondered at because Germany has long been surrounded by nations whose constructive genius could be imitated. Nevertheless the great industrial strides which Germany has made within a comparatively few years as time is measured in the history of nations, the facts she has made to become the chief European competitor of Great Britain in the trade of the world, is one of the marvels of the age.

And yet in one particular Teutonic ambition has not been satisfied. As colonizers the Germans are dismal failures. Even in the field in which German genius seems particularly well qualified to shine at home, in the domain of militarism, outside Europe, the Teutons have not achieved brilliant successes. The German campaign in Southwest Africa is proving costly, both in men and money. Their force there, in January, 1904, numbered forty-two officers, seven officials and 772 men, together with 800 horses. Since then reinforcements to the number of 965 officers, 194 officials, and 13,653 men, together with nearly 12,000 horses, have been sent out. The total losses in action up to date amount to forty-one officers, eighty-three non-commissioned officers, and 395 men killed or missing, and fifty-three officers, 109 non-commissioned officers, and 393 men wounded; or a total of 894 officers and men of the regular corps killed or wounded in action. The deaths from disease or in consequence of accidents, include those of eighteen officers, sixty-three non-commissioned officers, and 393 men, a total of 474. In addition, 119 officers and men of the colonial reserve also fell or were wounded in action. Moreover, murder, disease and accidents have accounted for one officer of the local reserve, and 127 men who were either farmers or reservists or both. Thus the rising has so far cost the lives of some 1,100 Germans, and 512 men have been wounded in action. The total percentage of losses in killed and wounded amounts to 8 per cent. of the officers and 10 per cent. of the non-commissioned officers of the force. No fewer than fourteen officers and 341 men, or nearly 4.5 per cent. of the average strength of the force, succumbed to typhoid fever. The total cost so far is estimated at between \$60,000,000 and \$70,000,000.

A dispatch from London says the Royal Commission, under the presidency of the Prince of Wales, appointed in April, 1902, to study the question of the importation of food in time of war and other similar subjects, has just presented its report to Parliament. The contents of the report have not yet been published, but it is understood that on the whole they are reassuring. The main report, which is concurred in by all the Commissioners, concludes that there is no cause for apprehension or uneasiness because it would be virtually impossible, in view of the adequacy of the fleet, for the whole of the British coast to be blockaded simultaneously. At the same time, the Commissioners do not discourage an experiment in the direction of the storage of grain for times of emergency. An important reservation, almost amounting to a minority report, signed by the Duke of Sutherland and some others of the Commissioners, points out that at certain seasons of the year there is only a six-weeks' reserve of grain stored in England, and strongly urges the adoption of a national system of grain storage.

The New York Evening Post, which in truth is not an enthusiastic admirer of the tariff system of the United States and seems to almost glory in the prospects of a fiscal row with Germany when that country's new policy of extreme protection comes into effect in the spring, says: "One can easily picture the satisfaction of a wheat grower in North Dakota as he reads the assurances from Washington that the new German tariff

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will not, after all, hurt anybody in this country. He notes that the duty upon wheat will be 4 cents a bushel instead of 23. The corn grower, too, will know how to appreciate the rise on his product from 10 cents to 31 cents a bushel. Though Germany raises the duty on fresh beef from \$1.62 a hundred pounds to \$4.87, and on salted or pickled beef from \$1.84 to \$6.45, the farmers are reminded, for their comfort, that copper and cotton are still admitted free. The duty on lumber is to be increased about 75 per cent, that on machinery very materially, and on mineral and cottonseed oil also. Still, there is a fractional reduction in the tariff on builders' hardware, to cheer the lumbering, milling, farming, and live stock interests. Crude phosphates for fertilizers will still be admitted free of duty, so no wonder that the Tribune's Washington correspondent's optimism is boundless. He should be asked to speak before the coming reciprocity convention at Chicago, where an imperfect understanding of the beneficence of our retaliatory tariff policy is likely to be betrayed.

It is costing the Americans \$250 a day to entertain the peace delegates. But that insignificant sum will not be a feather in the balance compared with the honor and glory of having such an important world affair "pulled off" in the United States. It is the first function of its kind.

Of course it is merely a coincidence that with the arrival of the Little Man from Ymir and the Big Man from Nelson those two political inseparables, Messrs. McBride and Green, should

hastily hie themselves away to a far country. As this is no time of the year to open up a political discussion, we shall let the inference stand at that.

FISH TRAP QUESTION.

To the Editor.—In your issue of August 7th, I notice an article headed "Trappers Wonder Where They Are," in which it is stated that a judge has asked for authorities to establish the power of the chief commissioner of lands and works to grant in the name of the crown an exclusive right of occupation of the bed of the sea below low water mark. What authority could there possibly be for such a proceeding in justice, but the authority of the Creator of the bed of the sea? Why should it be necessary to produce the sayings of a lot of dead men on the point? Is it not clear to any thinking man that God, the creator of the universe, has given the land both above and below low water mark, to the people to use equally, and every man in the world has as much right to use a particular portion as his fellows, provided he is willing to pay the full value of such a special privilege to the rest of the people engaged in the capture of fish? It is not a fact that trap locations own their value entirely to their position with relation to the run of fish? In other words to the power they give their owners to appropriate to their own use a greater proportion of the fish created by God than their fellows? Let us suppose the case of a man who has acquired the sole right to take fish in a portion of the bed of the sea, so located, that he would be able to intercept every salmon entering the straits. It is obvious that in such a case he would have an absolute monopoly of the fish business, being able to cut off the supply from all the other traps to the Fraser river. It must be clear to all that such a special privilege would infringe the rights of all the rest of the people engaged in the capture of salmon. Such a man would be given a

single right to extract money from the pockets of all the rest, giving no return therefor. What is true in this case is true in all cases of land tenure as at present existing. All land owes its value to the power it gives the owner to extract money from the pockets of those who desire to use it, giving no return. Is it in the power of the crown or any judge to determine what course the salmon shall take in their passage to the Fraser river, or to make one foot of the bed of the sea, or dry land? Is not the sole use of government, police, and courts to conserve the equal liberty of action of all the units comprising society? How long will it be before the people of Canada perceive the fact that there are natural laws governing all these questions, which it is as impossible to abrogate by human law equitably, as it is to suspend the law of gravity by a judicial decision?

SINGLE TAX.

A COMPLAINT.

To the Editor.—The B. C. Electric Railway Company have certainly added to the improvement of the Gorge by opening their park, and it would be a pleasure to saunter through the park if it was not for cyclists making use of the footpaths which wind through the same.

DESTINY.

Our destiny: Can we not fashion it. Though we feel it's a power from within, A power that we help but to fashion, Though with sorrow it makes us akin, We know not just where it is hidden, Some say that at birth it comes then, To determine all that's impending, Complicating the lives of men, We say that misfortune's averted, Sometimes when a change we make; By some step we failed to take, Still can we save fate overlapping, An easy compensation find— Subsequent to all, and be kind. Then, happy in the power that's awakened Of giving joy, will ourselves be beguiled, And feel that somewhere in the shadows On us surely God hath smiled. Thus from life will the gloom be lifted, And hope come again to our aid; As somewhere around us, within us, We acknowledge the "why" not dismayed. So, though destiny waits but on sorrow, We know there is love all around, And if only we look for the beauty, In beauty our souls will be found.

THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S RECORD.

Vancouver World.

Of the two possible ways of doing a thing, the right and the wrong, the Attorney-General's department of this province seems with unerring accuracy almost invariably to choose the latter. This faculty, which it is to be hoped is peculiar to the British Columbia office, has been demonstrated conclusively in at least half a dozen cases within as many months, and these on both the civil and criminal sides. The discomfiture of the progress of the spring sessions in this city must still be fresh in the memory of our readers, who will recollect that after incurring heavy expenses the crown so utterly failed in presenting at least two cases that men who possibly ought to have been severely punished, escaped without the least being fairly placed before the tribunal. The escape of Malpas from New Westminster is still recent history, while from Athol comes the report that a similar misadventure of justice has been permitted to occur there—a miscarriage, unlike the other in this respect, however, that the accused is still within the jurisdiction of the provincial courts and might at any time be brought to justice were it not for the lethargy with which the officials who direct these matters appear to be sunk. Nor, as has already been intimated, are things any better on the civil side. In more

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LOCAL NEWS.

The Victoria tennis players who intend participating in the Vancouver tournament arrived at the Terminal city this morning. They are contesting a number of matches this afternoon.

C. J. South, superintendent of the Children's Aid Society, is in the city. He is accompanied by little Edith Grant, the twelve-year-old girl who was taken from the Indians of Cape Mudge. The society applied for a writ of habeas corpus, which was granted by Mr. Justice Morrison, and the matter will come before Mr. Justice Duff on Thursday.

Members of Victoria Lodge, No. 17, and Far West Lodge, No. 1, K. of P., are holding a picnic at Mrs. Marshall's grove, the Gorge, to-day. A pleasant time is being spent, a programme of sports having been prepared for children and adults. A dance has been arranged for this evening, an excellent musical programme having been promised by Mrs. Davis' orchestra.

The local management of the B. C. Electric railway Company have decided to run the observation car recently introduced during the forenoon as well as in the afternoon. It will leave the corner of Government and Yates streets every day at 9.40 and 2.40 o'clock, making a complete tour of the Victoria park, and in addition to this the motorist and conductor in charge of the car will meet the incoming steamers in uniform and distribute literature describing Victoria's attractions.

The school board will hold its regular meeting to-morrow evening. Chairman Rogers will recommend the adoption of a resolution asking the board of public instruction to extend the time for opening city schools under Act 21st. The educational department, it is understood, has no intention of extending the holidays longer than the regular time, August 14th. The public schools will open there on August 14th, and the High schools on August 22nd.

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"Married Life" is the title of a skit presented by Cliff Dean and Company as the leading feature at the Grand theatre in a manner that evokes roars of laughter. Abbott and Bryant, Francis and Blanche, have a fine comedy singing act, which concludes with a charming little duet in Japanese costume, taken from "The Geisha," entitled "Two Little Japs From Tokio." The Butkess trio are clever acrobats, a trick cottage forming the vehicle for most of the fun, and Frank Clayton contributes a monologue and musical act. Little Edna Foley sings the illustrated song, "Where the Colorado Winds Its Way," and the performance concludes with a fine morning picture show which illustrates the underground working in a coal mine, concluding with an explosion and the subsequent removal of killed and injured from the shaft—one of the most realistic pictures yet shown.

An actor named Catala, who plays a villain's part in a Paris theatre, murdered a woman in the way of business the other night, and on his way home from the theatre was attacked and stabbed by four youths who had witnessed his atrocious deed from the gallery. He was not seriously hurt, but had to be taken to a hospital.

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WEDNESDAY'S CONCERT.

Programme to be Rendered by Fifth Regiment Band at the Gorge.

The programme for concert to be given at the Gorge on Wednesday, August 9th at 8.15 p. m. by the band of the 5th Regiment, C. A., is as follows:

March—Horn of the North..... Howie

Overture—Marsch..... Phinney

Selection—Fortune Teller..... Herbert

Waltzes—Mercedes..... Trinkano

Medley—The Limit..... Mackie

Intermission.

Overture—Primrose..... Brepant

Selection—Beethoven..... Ziff

Waltzes—Life is a Dream..... Ziff

Medley—Black and White..... Beyer

Mazurka—Concert..... Fahlbach

Intermezzo—Guard Mount..... Ellenberg

Gold Save the King.....

THE NORTHFIELD MINE.

No Move Yet Made Towards the Resumption of Operations.

(Special to the Times.)

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FUNERAL NOTICE



Members of the above Order are requested to meet at Eagle Hall at 2.30 p. m. sharp on Wednesday, Aug. 9th, for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late brother, Burt Gouge.

HENRY F. W. REHNSEN, W. President.

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Another attractive programme is presented at the Savoy this week. The company includes the Tuxedo trio (three Kuen Bros), mandolin, guitar and singing artists; Stanley and Carlisle, novelty sketch artists; Garry Sutton, musical artist; Lyndon and Wren, sketch artists; and Miss Clifton, who sings the beautiful illustrated songs, "North Southern Skies She is Waiting" and "Dear Old Stars and Stripes, Good-Bye."

PLEASED WITH COUNTRY.

Another Resident of England Has Decided to Make His Home Here.

W. G. North, of Bedford, England, is a guest at the Vernon. He will leave Victoria this evening after several weeks spent on Vancouver Island. Mr. North has lived in various parts of the world and has now reached an age when he intends retiring and spending the remainder of his life in the enjoyment of the fortune which he has made. He has decided to make his home on Vancouver Island, being highly delighted with the climatic conditions and the splendid facilities for hunting and fishing, of which sport Mr. North is very fond. He contemplates making his home near Duncan, being greatly taken with that as a centre for hunting and fishing. During his visit to that section of the Island he walked to Cowichan lake, and was delighted with the scenery there.

Mr. North laments the waste of timber evident on Vancouver Island. He thinks that greater care should be taken of this valuable asset, which will within a few years become very valuable.

In the more rapid settlement of the province he thinks that the C. P. R. is not doing enough. Mr. North speaks as a shareholder of that railway, having heavily invested in C. P. R. stock. He recognizes that the undertaking was a great one, but thinks that in British Columbia the line is not properly managed. As a glaring instance of this he refers to the Shuswap & Okanagan, which gives a service which he says detracts travel rather than fostering it. If the service were improved he thinks it would be made to pay.

On his trip westward he travelled over the C. P. R. purposely to see what kind of service was given. While the hotels in the mountains are in general very comfortable, yet he finds fault with the administration of the line. The points objected to could, he thinks, be very easily rectified.

After telling his wife that he would bring home some fish for dinner, Max Hartmann, suddenly bereft of the sense, went to the Hamburg Zoo, removed a young alligator from a pond, and took it home for his wife to cook.

KANAGAWA MARU FROM YOKOHAMA

TRANS-PACIFIC VOYAGE ENDED THIS MORNING

Experts Interested in Case of Dakota—Water in Yukon Is High—Marine Notes.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Kanagawa Maru, Captain Wale, with 3,000 tons of cargo and a total of 112 passengers, arrived at the depot wharves this morning, having been out from Yokohama since the 25th of last month. Of the cargo 40 tons was consigned to Victoria. Among the saloon list of passengers were Mr. and Mrs. Ambler, Master Ambler and Miss M. Ambler, A. P. Martin and T. Sugimura. Mr. Ambler has been a missionary in Japan for the past ten years. Mr. Martin is a professor of international law, and has been residing in China for 40 years, and Mr. Sugimura is going through to Ottawa, having been appointed assistant consul for that city.

The Kanagawa Maru reports a good passage until reaching the coast, when considerable fog was encountered. The ship left Yokohama the steamship Manchuria, with a President Roosevelt's daughter aboard, arrived from across the Pacific and the Japanese city was on fire in consequence. The ship was slotted as she entered port, and there were thousands on the wharf to meet her. Arrangements had been made for a display of fireworks, and everywhere the Japanese flag flew by side with the Stars and Stripes. An invitation was extended to Miss Roosevelt to visit the Emperor's palace or Ohama Gutsu, and the officials of the nation generally were making the young lady's visit as enjoyable as possible.

Included in the Kanagawa Maru's cargo were 9,129 cases of tea; 16 cases of silk and 300 bales of raw silk.

DAKOTA'S INJURIES.

At last the cause of the Dakota's mishap when starting out for the Orient last week has been ascertained. The vessel was placed in the Bremerton dry dock, where experts have discovered big cracks in her hulls, which indicate that the builders of the steamship put those parts in place without making allowance for proper fitting. This trouble local shipping men say was once experienced by British shipbuilders, but the stage when it occurs in Britain has past. However, the opinion of some Victorians has been asked.

In the Dakota's hulling there is a crack of more than an inch in width, yet the hulling fits as closely about the port tailshaft as a glove. As a matter of fact, the hulling was frozen to the shaft and was revolving with it. Neither the crack in the hulling nor the crack in the stern frame or post is serious. New hullings were cast at the navy yard on Saturday.

KEEMUN DELAYED.

Owing to the remarkable congestion of shipping affairs on the Japanese coast, the Keemun liner, which was scheduled to leave for Liverpool, is not likely to arrive till the latter part of the month or early in September. The great shipping companies' ports are due to the fact that on July 1st last the increased import duties in Japan went into effect. In order to get goods into the country before the rise in the tariff hundreds of thousands of tons of freight were rushed to Japan from all parts of the world.

QUADRA'S SERVICE.

D. G. S. Quadra is expected from Nanaimo today, where she went yesterday morning to secure coal for the Carmanah lighthouse. On her return from the coast, it is thought she will be sent to Green Island with material for the construction of the lighthouse to be there built. This structure will be erected as have all other similar government buildings lately. A foreman will have charge of the work and the job will be executed under a kind of day-labor system. No contractors are employed. In this way the department have discovered that they obtain the best results.

WATER IS HIGH.

The water in the upper Yukon river is now higher than it has been at this time of the year for several seasons, and as a consequence navigation is greatly facilitated. According to advices which have been received at the Vancouver office of the White Pass & Yukon railway the height of water is between 92 and 93 inches above the level at which navigation is possible. As a general thing the water is receding at this time of the year, and is well below the 90-inch mark.

MARINE NOTES.

Tag Albion was in this morning receiving a new smokestack and taking provisions aboard for a cruise to Ganges harbor, whither she will carry Mr.

Victoria, B.C., August 1st, 1905. Moore, The Canadian Capital & Boiler Insurance Co., Victoria, B.C.

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Garnet, her owner, and a party including several Victorians, who intend making a stay of a few months on Salt Spring Island.

Steamer Venture sailed for northern British Columbia ports last evening.

HUMPBLOCKS RUNNING.

Many Were Caught in Island Traps Yesterday, but Are Not in Demand.

Another big rush of salmon is passing through the straits. The run is another of the largest of the year, but instead of the valuable spring and sockeyes, the cohoes predominate. These are known to the cannermen as the pink. They are an inferior kind of fish for canning purposes, and are not in demand for such, although a limited number of them are being preserved. In the Todd & Munroe traps 40,000 salmon were caught yesterday, but of this catch three-fourths of the salmon are the humpbacks. The sockeyes were taken to the cannery at Esquimalt but the humpbacks the company does not can. Another big catch made yesterday, amounting to 12,000 fish, was brought in from Findlay, Durham & Brodie trap by the steamer Burrard. The Capital City Cannery & Packing Company made no lift yesterday, but may do so this evening. At present the company are not handling the humpbacks, the canneries on the Mainland being desirous of seeing the end-of-the-sockeye run before canning the poorer fish.

The big run of salmon in the straits is affording great sport for trolling parties. With reference to the trap industry on this Island, the Vancouver News-Advertiser of Sunday contained the following: "It is not unlikely that with success following the installation of the traps off the southern coast of Vancouver Island, canneries may be established near them." was the statement of a prominent canneryman. "It was not known whether or not the traps were as successful as they have, and it is only a reasonable proposition that where the fish are there the canneries should be. More traps will in all probability be put in, and other canneries may go up. The towing expenses alone of one prominent firm of packers have been \$125 per day to bring fish from the traps, and this would be obviated were the cannery near to where the fish are taken.

"This would hardly mean, though, that canneries would be moved from the Fraser river, as large numbers of fish would continue to be caught there. This year, however, towing steamers have brought large quantities of salmon from the traps to canneries on the river, which is an additional expense."

G. T. P. IN ACTION.

Proposition for Commencement of Construction in the Northwest—Pursuing Right of Way.

A dispatch from Portage in Prairie says: An important move, which indicates business on the part of the Grand Trunk Pacific, is in progress in this vicinity; this is the securing of the right of way for the new transcontinental.

Yesterday Engineer McNeil came into town and negotiated with J. & E. Brown for right of way through 400 acres of farm lands held by them, and which is situated only half a mile north of Bagot, on the C. P. R. line. Near Burnside, or about half a mile north, 30 acres have been purchased from Jas. McKinnis, ex-M. P. R., for station and grounds. The engineer has been some days in this vicinity, arranging with farm owners for right of way.

It is only in the country west of north-west of Portage that right of way is being made, because as yet the line from Portage to Winnipeg is a blank. It is desired that the route be south of the river, with terminals in the southern part of the city, and until this is settled the route from here to Winnipeg will not be located.

It is very evident from the country through which the right of way is being secured that the line is to parallel the C. P. R. for some miles. Bagot is 35 miles west of Portage, and the G. T. P. route at that point is only half a mile from the C. P. R.

No definite information has been secured as to the route west of MacGregor, or where the C. N. or C. P. Northwestern lines will be crossed. Mr. McNeil expects grading to commence early in September. It is by that time the terminal question in this city is arranged; grading may begin from Winnipeg.

McMillan Bros., the big railway contractors, pulled into Westbourne, their home camp, this week, with their enormous grading complete. This is significant, and is in the with the activity of the right of way engineers in this vicinity.

It is understood that grading will start by Sept. 1st. At least contractors are getting ready for that time and have evidently got the word.

Having found that many children were guilty of petty thefts in order to get money to go to the theatre, Blackpool, Lancashire, is thinking of passing an ordinance forbidding children under 12 to attend theatres. There are nearly 22,000,000 people in the morning of the 7th. It appears that when the steamer was approaching the

SAKHALIEN ISLAND WILL BE RENAMED

THE CONVICTS WANT TO RESIDE IN JAPAN

Loss of Oriental Steamer With Many Lives—Petition Against Cotton Being Contraband.

Advises received by the Kanagawa from China and Japan this morning state that Sakhalien will henceforward be known to the world as Kabafuto, the name by which it has been known to the Japanese since its discovery. The government has resumed several points in the southern part of the island. The two points of promontories, Kondo and Juko, are named after Kondo Juko, an official of the Tokugawa government, who during the Bunkwa era (1804-17) took great interest in Sakhalien when the island was partly occupied by the Japanese. Higashi Fushimi Bay is an honor accorded his Imperial Highness Captain Prince Higashi Fushimi who took part in the destruction of the Novik last year, and the cruisers Tsushima and Chitose, which accomplished the destruction of the Russian cruiser, are also remembered in the new place names.

According to the Japan Advertiser, the fourteen Kurds who escaped from Sakhalien and were brought to Yokohama for passage to Shanghai, have applied through the French consul to the Japanese government for permission to remain in Japan. They earnestly petition the government not to send them to Shanghai, where they fear they will fall again into the clutches of the Russians, off-rins, as a testimony of their good intentions their desire to become naturalized citizens of Japan and loyal subjects of the Emperor.

A dispatch from the Amur was further particulars of the collision between the Zensho-maru and Konoura-maru off Tsushima, in which the first-named steamer was sunk, a number of passengers losing their lives.

The collision, which occurred an hour after midnight was of appalling suddenness, and the Zensho sank in five minutes. Seventy-one persons, passengers and crew, went down with the steamer, and of these sixty-six were rescued by the Konoura. Two women and three men passengers are missing. It is stated that the Konoura struck the Zensho amidships on the port side, the bow of the former ramming the latter. As soon as the steamers got separated the Zensho went down. The Konoura at once sent boats and picked up passengers and crew, a passing steamer giving assistance. Searchlights were used in the search for the missing, but without result. Forty-one passengers were rescued and 25 of the crew. Of the latter were injured including the captain of the Zensho. From what passengers say most of them were below at the time of the collision, and they had no time to do more than reach the deck when the vessel went down. Some of the women took hold of ropes thrown by the Konoura and in this way were rescued.

Some time ago the Japan Cotton Spinners' Association addressed a memorial to the Japanese foreign office asking that measures be taken to induce Russia to exclude raw cotton from her list of contraband articles. Now that the Russian fleet in the Far East has been almost entirely destroyed, the foreign office considers that the question of contraband is no longer a practical one, and consequently sees no necessity for the subject being made a diplomatic matter at present.

The Spinners' Association maintains that several vessels of the Russian squadron still remain in the waters of the Far East, and that recently a steamer from Bombay with a cargo of raw cotton had to take shelter. Moreover, war rates of insurance are still charged on raw cotton, and they argue that the matter therefore remains a practical question. The association is taking steps to present a second memorial to the authorities asking that measures be taken to ensure the safety of ships carrying cotton.

With reference to the loss of the Rohira Maru (formerly the P. & O. steamer Rohilla), which recently stranded near Idanukushima, and which has now broken in two and will become a total loss, an Oriental dispatch says:

The Rohira Maru left the Inoshima Island in the Island Sea on the afternoon of July 6th for Ujima. She struck the Maniwa rock near Kokurokumi Island, about one mile south of Miyajima; on the morning of the 7th. It appears that when the steamer was approaching the

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rock, three fishing boats were sighted. Right in the middle of the collision, whereupon she struck the sunken rock by the stern. There were on board 137 persons, including a crew of 87, 12 surgeons and military hospital nurses and 38 dock workers. At about 5 o'clock in the morning the surgeons and hospital men with their effects left the steamer in the ship's boats and landed at Kuso. Here the vessel's gear was also landed. The Rohira was insured for 150,000 yen. She was bought by the Togo Kisen Kaisha from the P. O. S. N. Company a few years ago, and in April last year was sold to the Oshiro Steamship Company of Tokyo. Since the outbreak of the war she has been serving as a hospital ship.

AN EASY ROUTE. The Extension of the E. & N. Line to Comox Offers Few Difficulties.

The trip of the C. P. R. officials to Comox and by automobile from that point to Nanaimo, and thence southward, demonstrated, it is said, not alone the feasibility of extending the E. & N. to Comox, but the comparative ease with which this route could be carried out.

Throughout a good part of this route the land is heavily timbered, but there did not appear to be any great difficulties which would interfere with construction work. The land, once the timber was taken off, would be valuable for agricultural purposes.

The general information gathered by the officials will be valuable to supplement the expert report which will be necessary when the route of the extension is surveyed.

It is announced that the business of L. Spencer, Ltd., at Ladysmith, has been sold to A. C. Walters, of Ladysmith, and Wilfrid Akenside, of this city, says the Nanaimo Herald. Mr. Walters has been in Nanaimo and Ladysmith about a dozen years, having worked in the old co-operative store and in Stevenson's big store for a number of years. He was appointed manager of Stevenson's store at Ladysmith when it was first opened and when that store was moved to Ladysmith he was transferred as manager there. Mr. Akenside is a native son of Nanaimo. He has been engaged in the dry goods business in Nanaimo for the past twelve years in the stores of Messrs. D. Spencer, C. E. Stevenson, Drysdale-Stevenson, Ltd., and D. Spencer, Ltd., having filled all positions from errand boy to head of the dress goods department.

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MANY SIGNATURES.

To Petition For Crystal Palace and

Winter Gardens.

The petition presented to the city council

last night praying for the submission

of a by-law authorizing the borrowing

of \$150,000 for the Crystal Palace and

Winter Gardens scheme was signed by

more than 65 people, representing a great

deal in excess of the necessary majority

assent under the act. The contents

of the petition appear in the Times report

of the council proceedings. The signa-

tures are as follow: A. McPhillips,

Ernest A. Hall, Stephen Jones, Mrs. E.

G. Kirk (per G. A. Kirk), K. B. Kirk

(per G. A. Kirk), G. A. Kirk, Balmoral

Limited (per G. A. Kirk), J. E. Church,

W. L. Chalmers, A. M. Mitchell, Chas.

Hayward, A. B. Fraser, sr., Weller

Bros., Otto Weller, J. G. Brown,

Chas. Marchant, J. Mass, Cate

Onis Park, Syndicate, Company

J. E. Church, secretary; Beatrice

M. Booth, J. Landsberg, F. B. Pemberton,

estate J. D. Pemberton, J. J. South-

gate, A. W. Faber, Lord Geo. and Lady

Hamilton, J. B. and J. B. Joseph, E. M.

Pemberton, Brackman & Ker, Milling

Co., H. R. Ker, Ker estate (per D. R.

Ker), Trustees J. S. Yates estate (per J.

S. Yates), D. E. Campbell, W. H. Bone,

Annie C. Allen, P. R. Brown, Geo. M.

Brown (per P. R. Brown), J. M. Todd &

Son, C. E. Todd, P. M. Russell, G. B.

Fraser, Jr., A. Lee, James Dunsmuir,

Colonial Printing & Publishing Co., J. S.

H. Matson, T. McCabe, H. J. Martin, D.

Spencer, R. Jones, B. Borge, Heisterman

& Co., Jas. Furman, Julius West, A. M.

Brown (per P. R. Brown), A. Henderson,

J. Rostein, L. A. Rostein, J. A. Douglas,

T. M. Henderson, David Miller, Simon

Leiser & Co., Ltd., James Anderson, H.

D. Heilmann and H. H. Maloney.

—In anticipation of the visit of the

California Veterans' Franchise, who will

arrive on August 15th by the Princess

Victoria, it is proposed to call the Victoria

Veterans together for the purpose

of asking part in the parade that is ex-

pected to be held on the morning of that

day. With this end in view all veterans

of the Victoria old guard are requested

to meet this evening at 8 o'clock at the

department headquarters.

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ATTRACTIONS AT

LOCAL PLAYHOUSE

LIST OF OFFERINGS

IS NOW COMPLETE

Season Will Open at End of This Month

Some First-Rate Productions

Are Promised.

The Times has secured from the man-

agement of the Victoria theatre a list of

the attractions to be offered at the local

playhouse during the coming season.

This list has just been completed so it

is given out to-day for the first time. The

season will open on August 20th, when

"The Pit," the dramatized version of the

late Frank Norris' great novel will be

presented. There will then be a full

eleven days to be followed by Ezra Ken-

dell on September 9th, and McEwen, the

hypnotist on the 11th. The latter will

probably have a several nights' engage-

ment.

"Under Southern Skies" will be the

bill on September 18th, and on the 23rd,

the popular production, "Mrs. Wiggs of

the Cabbage Patch," will be given. On

the 25th, "The Girl From Kays" will be

the attraction, and then on the 28th Vis-

countess will have an opportunity of see-

ing Miss Eleanor Robson, who, doubt-

less, will present her great success,

"Merely Mary Ann." Miss Robson has

made a big hit in this piece, and is re-

garded as one of the most finished

actresses upon the American stage. In

October the offerings will be: "In Old

Kentucky," October 5th; Harold Nelson,

on the 11th and 12th; Florence Roberts,

on the 16th and 17th. Miss Roberts, by

the way, has been creating quite a furor in

New York, where the critics have been

deeply impressed by her devoted em-

otional work. "The Tenderfoot," on

October 21st, will be followed by

Madame Hermann on the 23rd, Richard

Pringle on the 24th, and "The Mar-

riage of Kitty" on the 28th will close

October's list.

November will be ushered by "When

Knighthood Was in Flower," which will

be presented on the very first evening.

In January there will be the follow-

ing: "New Year's night and January

2nd," "Buster Brown," 12th, "College

Widow," 15th, "Poly Primrose," 25th,

Leslie James; 26th, Elsie Ellsler.

February will be distinguished by the

appearance of the English Grand Opera

Co. on the 15th, Nance O'Neill, the mag-

netic California actress, on the 19th and

20th, Chas. Hanford on the 24th,

"Woodland" on the 26th, and West's

Minstrels on the 28th.

In March the list is: March 5th,

"Way Down East"; March 15th, "Paul

Gilmore"; March 22nd, "Beauty and the

Beast"; March 28th, A. Gallatin, April

1st, "Babes in Toyland" will be given.

Of course this list will probably be lar-

gely extended during the season.

In April the elaborate scheme of im-

provements contemplated by the owner

of the theatre will be carried into effect.

Plans have already been prepared, and

it is the intention to convert the play-

house into one of the neatest in the

Northwest.

Compliments are heard from some of

the business men of the city against the

new directory which has just been dis-

tributed. It is found fault with on the

ground that the list of residents is in-

complete. Prominent citizens are omitted

from the directory, and it is complained

that names contained in the last direc-

tory are not to be found in the present

edition, although they still reside here.

VISITING CREWS

BUSY TRAINING

FOR THE BOAT RACES

ON ESQUIMALT HARBOR

Nelson and Portland Fours Took First

Spins on Local Waters This

Morning.

The James Bay Athletic Association

club rooms are now the centre of attrac-

tion to local and visiting athletes. All

this forenoon D. O'Sullivan, the veteran

J. B. A. A. coach, was on hand receiving

and welcoming the oarsmen of Portland

and Nelson. On behalf of the manage-

ment committee he extended to them all

the conveniences of the association he-

des assisting in rigging their respective

shells preparatory to the training which

the representatives of both cities intend

in making in before Friday, the opening

day of the forthcoming N. P. A. A. O.

regatta.

Both the Portland and Nelson fours

were at the club house at an early hour

this morning, and accepted the help of

Mr. O'Sullivan in putting their racing

machine in thorough repair for practice.

The visiting oarsmen are all stalwart,

muscular men, and apparently in the

pink of condition. A comparison of the

Portland, Nelson and J. B. A. A. crews,

however, discloses an advantage in

favor of the former in respect to weight.

The Americans are bigger than either of

the Canadian crews now here, and ac-

cording to reports, also outweigh the

Vancouver oarsmen, who are expected to

arrive to-morrow. The Nelson Rowing

Club four is not heavy, but comprises

likely looking athletes. They row well

together with a flash and swing which

sends the craft along at a rate that pro-

mises well. These oarsmen, however,

are all inexperienced with the exception

of the stroke. Therefore, whether or not

they will qualify to row against the

seniors depends upon their ability to keep

cool and outclass the juniors in the event

regatta.

To-morrow morning Mr. O'Sullivan

will move the J. B. A. A. Nelson and

Portland shells to Esquimalt. These

fast machines will be transported by means

of a scow in tow of a launch engaged for

the occasion. Owing to the lateness of

the arrival of the Vancouver crew it has

been found impossible to postpone the

change of the club's headquarters in or-